

PUBLIC HEARING
Frank Basile, 2058 Moravia Street
Dangerous Building Ordinance

A public hearing was held on Wednesday, July 28, 1993 at 6:00 p.m. at the Shenango Township Municipal Building with supervisors Richard Schweinsberg and Joseph Budai present.

The purpose of the hearing was to hear testimony from Mr. Frank Basile owning property located at 2058 Moravia Street as to why structures on the property which have been classified as "Dangerous Buildings" should not be removed or repaired.

Chairman Richard Schweinsberg opened the hearing by reading the engineer's report (original) and the follow up report which stated work which had not been completed as of July 21, 1993. Mr. Basile was asked to respond to each outstanding item:

Main Home:

- (1) Rick: Front Porch support columns
Frank Basile: Completed as of July 28, 1993
- (2) Chairman Schweinsberg: Cellar Door not secure
Frank Basile: Completed as of this date
- (3) Chairman Schweinsberg: Smaller Storage Shed needs removed
Frank Basile: completed as of this date
- (4) Chairman Schweinsberg: Larger Shed needs repaired -roof supports
Frank Basile: These are currently being repaired

Adjacent House:

- (1) Chairman Schweinsberg: Front Porch needs repaired
Frank Basile: currently being repaired
- (2) Chairman Schweinsberg: Outhouse needs removed
Frank Basile: has been completed as of this date.

Chairman Schweinsberg then stated that he has discussed the situation with residents in the area, and they seem pleased at the progress being made. They are concerned with the existing fenceline which is filled with brush and needs to be cleaned out. Chairman Schweinsberg then asked if Mr. Basile intends to keep the place clean from this point on. Mr. Basile answered yes.

1. _____, 2046 Moravia Street.
He stated that he would be the neighbor next to the vacant house which will be owned by Mr. Wisherman (Mr. Basile's son-in-law). He is concerned that because the house has been vacant for over twenty years, the electric might not be up to code and the house poses a danger to those in the neighborhood. He stated that Mr. Wisherman is low-income and that he will not have the money to pay for any repair costs. He stressed again that the house is a fire hazard. Chairman Schweinsberg informed the residents that he would have the engineers do an "in-House" study of the vacant home to determine if it is structurally sound and fit for human habitation.

This resident also questioned as to whether or not Mr. Basile has garbage removal. Ms. Robby Reiner of 264 Reiner Road in Edinburg stated that she takes care of Mr. Basile's garbage.

Paul Pounds, 207 Warner Alley: Mr. Pounds explained that the fence row is all weeds. He offered help to Mr. Basile in order to clean the fence row. Mr. Basile stated that he would get his son or son-in-law to cut the fence row down. Chairman Schweinsberg suggested that Mr. Basile use all the help he could get to get his place in order.

Bernie Sherback, 2113 Martha Street: Explained that twenty years ago he lived where Paul Pounds is currently living. He stated that even back then there were problems with rats. Aggie Sherback stated that the problems existed because the place was not kept clean. She stated that Mr. Basile is living in the 1920's where people had outhouses and cooked in brick ovens, she told Mr. Basile to get into the 90's and clean the place and keep in clean.

Chairman Schweinsberg stated that he believed Mr. basile has realized the urgency of the situation and will stay on top of things to keep his place clean.

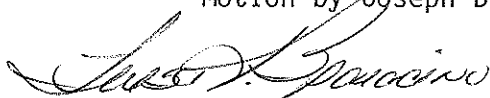
Bernie Adamo, 2123 Martha Street: She stated that they cannot eat from their garden this year because of the rats in the area. They are finding decomposed rats in their garden as well as nests of baby rats. She also stated that the fence row needs cleaned out.

Minnie Cis, 2039 Moravia Street: Asked if the Township had an Ordinance which would condemn the adjacent house because it is vacant. She stated that she does not want her tax dollars to pay for the house to be repaired because Mr. Wisherman is on welfare. The Board explained to Ms. Cis that they do not have an ordinance which condemns vacant houses just because they are not currently being lived in. There ordinance applies if the house is not structurally sound. They also explained that it is not under the jurisdiction as to whether tax dollars are used to repair Mr. Wisherman's house.

Erin Pallerino, 2062 Moravia Street: He Stated that he was glad that something finally got done with this situation. He stated that he hopes the Board will stay on top of the situation.

The Board then stated and it was accepted as a Motion by Joseph Budai and a second by Richard Schweinsberg that the following should be completed within the next fifty day period: (1) Fence row be removed (2) Porches be completed (3) Engineer's inspection of vacant house.

Motion by Joseph Budai second by Richard Schweinsberg to adjourn.



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